

Marine Safety Office Houston-Galveston  
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**Port Security  
Information Bulletin  
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**Security During the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday  
July 2, 2003**

The purpose of this PSIB is to remind port stakeholders to keep port security at the forefront and remain vigilant over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. Waterfront facilities and vessel owners and operators should review their security plans in the event it is necessary to upgrade security on short notice.

Despite media reports of threats to Texas, the Coast Guard has no specific information about the Houston-Galveston area. If such information becomes available it will be released as soon as possible in accordance with federal security regulations. Changes in threat conditions will be communicated by PSIB as necessary.

Waterfront facilities and vessel owners, operators, and agents are reminded to maintain continued vigilance and keep in place minimum-security measures. The minimum measures for the Houston-Galveston COTP zone are posted at <http://www.uscg.mil/d8/mso/hougal/html/index.htm>, PSIB 02-03.

The local Coast Guard will continue to conduct security patrols within the ports and offshore and coordinate with government agencies to ensure that all stakeholders in the Ports of Houston, Galveston, Freeport and Texas City receive the latest threat information.

Specific inquiries regarding security or to report suspicious activities, contact MSO Houston-Galveston at (713) 671-5100 ext. 0 or MSU Galveston at (409) 766-5400.

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